

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Device for mounting a tethered camera on a portable computer,
including a base attached to a back of the computer's screen housing via an
5 adhesive, a holder for the camera removably engaged to the base via cooperating
mating members formed thereon, and a hinge in the holder allowing movement
of the camera. The hinge includes two coil springs assembled over a pair of
split shafts incorporated in the holder to provide a relatively high friction force
on a pair of pins non-movably attached to the camera. The camera and holder
10 combination can be attached to or detached from the base as need be, but the
base can remain unobtrusively attached to the housing. When attached to the
housing, the camera is stably held in position to allow easier hands-free use of
the camera. A separate stand is also provided which can similarly mated with
the holder.

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